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Subject: RE: Law Quarry Extension (#626574) - Aggregate Resources Act Application
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Good afternoon Caitlin,

I hope all is well,

Thanks for circulating the information for the proposed Law Quarry Extension license application. My colleague Nancy forwarded your email to me for review.

The scoped Agricultural Impact Assessment provided describes that a portion of the proposed license area includes prime agricultural land. However, the subject lands are not within a prime agricultural area, as defined in the Provincial Policy Statement.

Based on the information provided, please note that OMAFRA staff do not have any comments on the application.

I hope this information is of assistance,

Thanks

Dave

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Hi Nancy,

The MNRF Aggregate Section has provided the following comment on the Law Quarry Extension Aggregate Resources Act Application:

"Please provide written confirmation from OMAFRA that the area does not contain prime agriculture lands or their support for the rehabilitation approach to not revegetate back to prime agriculture outside of the pond area."

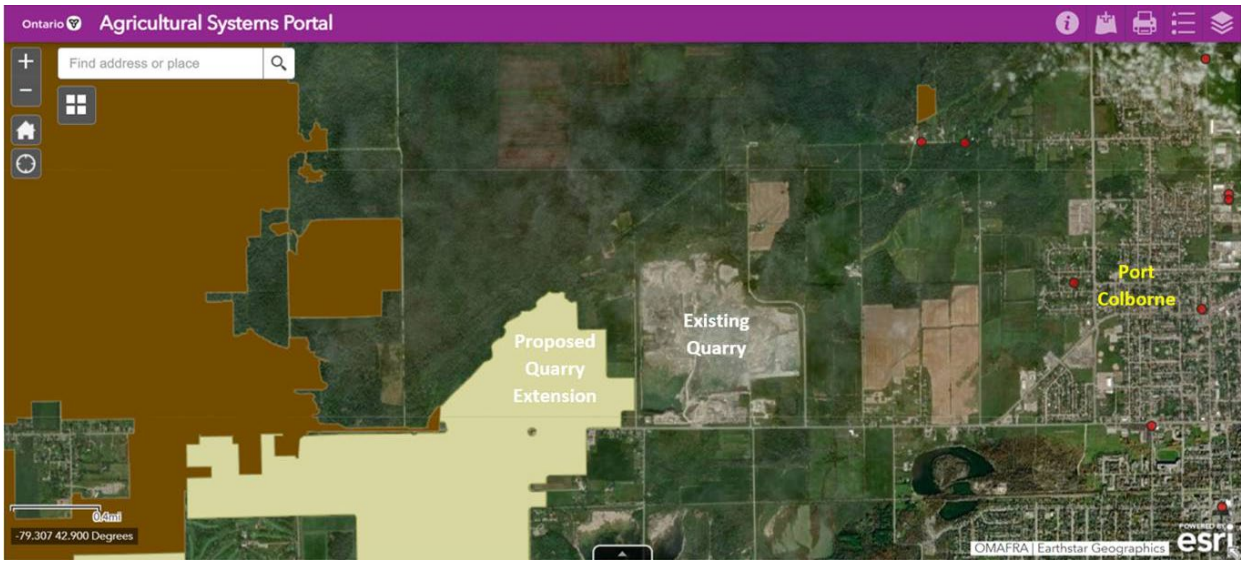
A copy of the Aggregate Resources Act Application can be accessed from the Waterford Website here:
http://waterfordgroup.ca/construction-materials/law-crushed-stone/

This ARA Application is for a proposed Extension to the existing Law Crushed Stone Quarry that would operate below the water table. Rehabilitation is proposed to be to a lake with naturalized shorelines. The area proposed to be Licenced for the expansion is not a Prime Agricultural Area and is designated as a Rural Area in the 2022 Region of Niagara Official Plan; therefore, there is no requirement to rehabilitate back to an Agricultural Condition and the tests of PPS policy 2.5.4.1 do not need to be satisfied.

There was no Provincial Policy requirement to complete an AIA as the area is not a Prime Agricultural Area. However, the Region of Niagara required the completion and submission of a scoped Agricultural Impact Study with the Regional Official Plan Amendment Application. I have attached a copy of this Report to this email.

To address MNRFs comment, can you please confirm that you are satisfied with the proposed rehabilitation plan.

Feel free to call if you want to discuss (# below)



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